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OF HAGUE PROTOCOL TO WARSAW CONVENTION,
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1. WE HAVE DISCUSSED POINTS RAISED IN REFTTEL WITH J.B. AJALA, LEGAL ADVISOR, FEDERAL MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT. HE IS MOST SENIOR FMG OFFICIAL CURRENTLY KNOWLEDGEABLE ON SUBJECT, AND WILL PRESENT RECOMMENDATIONS RE NIGERIAN POSITION TO FINAL DECISION-MAKERS FOR THEIR APPROVAL.
2. AJALA ENTIRELY IN AGREEMENT WITH U.S. POSITION THAT GOLD BE REPLACED BY SDR AS UNIT OF MEASUREMENT FOR PURPOSES OF ICAO AGREEMENTS. HE PLANS TO MAKE RECOMMENDATION ALONG THESE LINES TO HIS SUPERIORS AND EXPECTS THAT THEY WILL APPROVE.
3. AS PRELIMINARY REACTION, HOWEVER, HE INDICATED SOME DOUBT THAT FMV WOULD BE INTERESTED IN CO-SPONSORING U.S. PROPOSALS RE GUATEMALA DOCUMENT FOR SIMPLE REASON THAT FMV DOES NOT INTEND

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TO RATIFY GUATEMALA. NIGERIAN RESERVATIONS CENTER MOT SO

MUCH ON GOLD CLAUSES OR CARGO CLAUSES, BUT RATHER ON LIMITS OF LIABILITY, WHICH FMG CONSIDERS TOO HIGH.

4. AJALA EMPHASIZED ABOVE REACTION PURELY TENTATIVE AND PERSONAL. HE WISHES TO MAKE FURTHER STUDY OF ICAO WORKING GROUP REPORT (JUST RECEIVED) PRIOR TO SUBMITTING RECOMMENDATIONS, AND HAS PROMISED TO GIVE US FURTHER READING ON HIS OWN REACTION TO U.S. SPONSORSHIP REQUEST IN EARLY JULY. O MEANWHILE, IT WOULD MAKE HIS JOB EASIER IF U.S. SUBMITTED FORMAL REQUEST IN DETAILED FORM SO THAT IT CAN BE INCORPORATED INTO HIS OWN REPORT ALONG WITH RECOMMENDATIONS TO SUPERIORS. EASUM

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